

**SECRETARIAT OF THE PACIFIC REGIONAL ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME**

Tenth Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Natural Resources and Environment of the South Pacific Region and Related Protocols (Noumea Convention)

Madang, Papua New Guinea
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Agenda Item 4: Report of the Secretariat**Purpose**

1. To table the Report by the Secretariat under Rule 12(vi) of the Rules of Procedure of the Noumea Convention outlining work achieved from July 2008 till June 2010 in fulfilment of the provisions of the Noumea Convention.

Background

2. The Noumea Convention was negotiated under the framework of UNEP's Regional Seas Programme and adopted in 1986. The Convention and its two related Protocols (Protocol for the Prevention of Pollution of the South Pacific Region by Dumping; Protocol concerning Co-operation in Combating Pollution Emergencies in the South Pacific Region) entered into force on 22 August 1990.

3. The Convention, provides a comprehensive umbrella agreement for the protection, management and development of the marine and coastal environment of the Pacific islands region, and addresses pollution from all sources and the need for environmental impact assessments.

Recommendation

4. The Parties are invited to:
- **note** the Report (WP.4.1) of the Secretariat.
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